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SUBJECT: ISRAELI ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LEBANON

1. EMBASSY BEIRUT HAS RECEIVED COPIES OF "JERUSALEM POST" OF AUG. 31 AND SEPT. 1, 1976 DESCRIBING FUNERAL OF THREE LEBANESE KILLED IN FIGHT WITH FATAH AT EIN EBEL. THESE PAPERS ALSO DESCRIBE VISIT TO THIS AREA BY AMERICAN TOURISTS AND SECRETARY OF LABOR WILLIAM USERY, AND STATE THAT U.S. TOURISTS CROSSED INTO LEBANESE TERRITORY TO TALK WITH LEBANESE VILLAGERS.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFO ADDRESSEE ON ALL EMBASSY TEL AVIV REPORTING ON ACTIVITIES IN THIS AREA.

3. WE HAVE NOT SEEN ANY REFERENCES IN BEIRUT PRESS TO VISIT OF AMERICAN TOURISTS TO THIS AREA. THERE IS, HOWEVER, GREAT INTEREST HERE BY ALL PARTIES IN RECENT ISRAELI ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LEBANON. WE BELIEVE U.S. IDENTIFICATION WITH THESE ACTIONS, PARTICULARLY PRESENCE OF U.S. CITIZENS UNDER ISRAELI SPONSORSHIP ON LEBANESE TERRITORY, COULD HAVE EMBARRASSING IMPLICATIONS FOR US HERE IF THEY BECAME KNOWN.

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